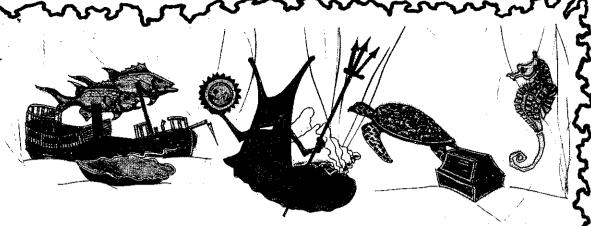
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: May 21, 2003	Division: District 1
Bulk Item: Yes No	Department: Mayor Dixie M. Spehar
AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Proclamation: Month of May, 2003 as Foster C	are Month
ITEM BACKGROUND:	
Request from Wendy Nunn, Wesley House. 292-7150 ext. 228 PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:	
CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:	·
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:	
TOTAL COST: N/A	BUDGETED: Yes No
COST TO COUNTY:	SOURCE OF FUNDS:
REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No	AMOUNT PER MONTH Year
APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB	_
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL: Mayor Dixie M. Spehar	
DOCUMENTATION: Included X	To Follow Not Required
DISPOSITION:	AGENDA ITEM #



Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, on any given day, almost 10,000 children in the state of Florida are living in foster care; and

WHEREAS, foster parents throughout the state of Florida dedicate themselves to providing foster children with the love and values that help prepare them for responsible adulthood; and

WHEREAS, in Monroe County there are approximately 50 children in foster care each month residing in one of thirty-two active licensed foster homes; and

WHEREAS, in Monroe County there is a current need for a greater variety of licensed foster homes to meet the special needs of children coming into foster care and to ensure that children can remain in their home communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of Monroe County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim the month of May 2003 as

Foster Care Month

in Monroe County and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support the foster care community, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the County of Monroe, Florida, this 21st day of May, 2003.



Mayor Dixie M. Spenar